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SUBJECT: PRC PARTICIPATION IN UNESCO MEETING ON
SCIENTIFIC-TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS
(UNISIST)

1. FOLLOWING WERE PRC PARTICIPANTS IN UNISIST STEERING
COMMITTEE MEETING (OCTOBER 13-17) WITH TITLES SHOWN
AS REGISTERED WITH SECRETARIAT:

(A) MR. LIU TUNG-SHUNG (CHIEF OF DELEGATION), DEPUTY
DIRECTOR

(B) MR. CHAO TSUNG-JEN, ASSISTANT RESEARCH FELLOW

(C) MR. LIU CHAO-TUNG, INTERPRETER

(D) ALL LISTED AS ARRIVING FROM LIBRARY OF THE
INSTITUTE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION
OF CHINA, PEKING

2. CHINESE, CONSISTENT WITH OVERALL PRESENCE IN UNESCO
MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES SO FAR, TOOK LOW PROFILE AND
SEEMED GENERALLY TO APPLY THEMSELVES TO LEARNING THE
ROPES. MOREOVER, THEY SHOWED THEMSELVES ACCESSIBLE AND
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MIXED WITH THE OTHER 16 DELEGATES ATTENDING THIS

MEETING. THEIR ONLY INITIATIVES OF A POLITICAL CHARACTER PREDICTABLY WERE: (A) EXPRESSING PRC CONTINUING OBJECTIONS TO PRESENCE OF "CHIANG KAI-SHEK CLIQUE" PARTICIPATION IN NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS LINKED TO UNESCO; (B) TAKING EXCEPTION TO VERY GENERAL REFERENCE IN MEETING REPORT TO HELSINKI ACT'S IMPLICATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION; AND (C) EXPRESSING NEED FOR "PRIORITY" TO BE ACCORDED ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN CONTEXT OF UNISIST PROGRAM.

3. HEAD OF US DELEGATION TO MEETING, DR. RURCHINAL (NSF), NOTED THAT CHINESE WERE MORE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS THAN THEY HAD BEEN AT LAST UNISIST STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING IN OCTOBER 1973 WHEN PRC PARTICIPATION LIMITED TO INSERTION OF A BRIEF STATEMENT IN MEETING RECORDED ON NGO-ROC ISSUE.
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